

A Fatal Mistake.

"Yes, madam, it is a fatal mistake to neglect your teeth. I lost a great deal of money through an oversight of that very sort. I had a rich uncle who promised to make me his heir. He went to sea. During a sudden storm he fell overboard and a shark at once grabbed him. My uncle was a stout man; the shark was old. Moreover, he had never taken care of his teeth, and they were wretchedly poor. In short, he couldn't hold on to my uncle, who kicked himself loose from the man-eater and was picked up by a boat."

"But how did you lose the money?"

"My uncle lived long enough to alter his will. Oh, that neglectful shark!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

She Objected to the Rule.

"I have given up going to war as a nurse," remarked one Denver maid to another, "and I wouldn't care very much if this country got whipped."

"Why, Angelica, what can be the matter?"

"Didn't you see in the paper that the nurses must not be under 25 years of age?"

"Yes, but what of it?"

"Do you suppose I am going to tell them how old I am? Not much!"—Denver Times.

An Obedient Son.

Father—Tommy—Why did you beat neighbor Smith's little boy so shamefully?

Tommy—You told me to.

"I told you to? Why, my son, what do you mean?"

"Didn't you tell me the other day it was more blessed to give than to receive?"

"Yes, but—"

"Well, I had to give him a lickin' or receive one."—Chicago Evening News.

Berlin's "Royal Court Pharmacy." Berlin's "Royal Court Pharmacy" is now 300 years old. It was established by Elector Joachim Frederick of Brandenburg, and had its quarters in the royal palace until two years ago, when it was transferred to the Monbijou palace. The pharmacy supplies medicine to the whole Prussian court and to many of the Berlin hospitals.—N. Y. Sun.

In War Times.

Drummer—Is your business affected by the war talk?

Shaving Soap Manufacturer—No. We are doing a larger business than ever.

"Well, come to think of it, there's a reason for that."

"What is it?"

"Why, most men wear longer faces these days."—Brooklyn Life.

Heat Holidays.

In the public schools of Switzerland heat holidays have been established by law. Recognizing the well-known fact that the brain cannot work properly when the heat is excessive, the children are dismissed from their tasks whenever the thermometer goes above a certain point.—Chicago Times-Herald.

Spent by Fools.

"The fools of the world," as a writer suggestively terms them, spent last year at the Monte Carlo gaming tables no less than \$7,700,000. The figures are official, and show that to keep this particular road to ruin in good repair is expensive business.—Youth's Companion.

An English Bounty Jumper.

A man was recently convicted in England of having enlisted as a recruit in 15 places, decamping each time with advance money. England loses about \$500,000 a year from such operations.—Chicago Tribune.

Too True.

Grandmamma—What are you doing in the pantry, Tommy?

Tommy—Oh, I'm just putting a few things away, gran'ma.—Philadelphia Times.

THE MARKETS.

New York, May 12.	
CATTLE—Native Steers.....	4 40 5 75
COTTON—Middling.....	11 1/2
FLOUR—Winter Wheat.....	2 80 4 00
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	82 1/2
CORN—No. 2.....	32 1/2
OATS—No. 2.....	20 1/2
PORK—Mess (new).....	15 25 18 75
ST. LOUIS.	
COTTON—Middling.....	10 1/2 10 1/2
BEEF—Steers.....	4 00 5 25
COWS and HEIFERS.....	3 25 4 50
CALVES—(per 100 lbs).....	4 75 6 00
HOGS—Fair to Choice.....	6 25 6 50
SHEEP—Fair to Choice.....	4 00 5 00
FLOUR—Patents.....	3 40 5 00
Other Grades.....	2 75 3 45
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	72 1/2 74
CORN—No. 2.....	34 1/2 35 1/2
OATS—No. 2.....	20 1/2 21 1/2
RYE—No. 2.....	30 1/2 31 1/2
WOOL—Tub Washed.....	15 1/2 27 1/2
Other Grades.....	12 1/2 17 1/2
HAY—Clear Timothy.....	10 00 15 50
BUTTER—Choice Dairy.....	12 1/2 16
BACON—Clear Rib.....	10 1/2 10 1/2
EGGS—Fresh.....	13 1/2 15
LARD—Choice Steam.....	10 1/2 10 1/2
PORK—Standard Mess (new).....	17 1/2 17 75
CHICAGO.	
CATTLE—Native Steers.....	4 75 5 50
HOGS—Fair to Choice.....	6 40 6 50
SHEEP—Fair to Choice.....	4 75 5 00
FLOUR—Winter Patents.....	3 50 5 00
Spring Patents.....	3 25 4 50
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	72 1/2 73
CORN—No. 2.....	34 1/2 35 1/2
OATS—No. 2.....	20 1/2 21 1/2
PORK—Mess.....	17 50 17 60
KANSAS CITY.	
CATTLE—Native Steers.....	4 50 5 25
HOGS—Fair to Choice.....	6 40 6 50
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	72 1/2 73
CORN—No. 2.....	34 1/2 35 1/2
OATS—No. 2.....	20 1/2 21 1/2
NEW ORLEANS.	
FLOUR—High Grades.....	3 50 4 00
CORN—No. 2.....	34 1/2 35 1/2
OATS—No. 2.....	20 1/2 21 1/2
HAY—Choice.....	21 00 22 00
PORK—Standard Mess.....	15 25 15 50
BACON—Short Rib Sides.....	11 1/2 11 1/2
COTTON—Middling.....	11 1/2 11 1/2
LOUISVILLE.	
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	72 1/2 73 1/2
CORN—No. 2.....	34 1/2 35 1/2
OATS—No. 2.....	20 1/2 21 1/2
BACON—Short Ribs.....	10 1/2 11 1/2
COTTON—Middling.....	11 1/2 11 1/2

CAUGHT ON TO THE JOKE.

The Chinese Secretary of Legation Was Not Much Perplexed by American Witterings.

"Have you ever been naturalized?"

"Yes; but it didn't take."

"Now, that is what we Americans call a joke," explained the Washingtonian to the brand new secretary of the Chinese legation, who has indicated his desire to become conversant with the customs of this country. In spite of the alleged humor, however, he failed to laugh, and his informant considered a full explanation proper, relates the Washington Times.

"You see," he continued, "the word naturalized has been confused with vacillate." The meaning of the two words was then defined, together with the phrase didn't take.

"When we say the vaccination didn't take, we mean that the virus didn't have the desired effect."

With this the Chinaman expressed his admiration for American wit, and a broad smile overspread his face.

The conversation was continued in a general way until the wise resident of Washington suddenly fancied it would be humorous to relieve himself of a joke at the expense of the Celestial. With a patronizing air he put a query to the attaché in jaw-breaking words, and then laughed at his own brilliancy.

The secretary stared blankly at him for a moment, utterly bewildered by the question. His face was expressionless, but he gave a faint smile when the American explained he had been joking.

"A joke—yes; but it didn't take," he replied, with a naive smile.

A Tight Squeeze.

Brails, Ark., May 11th.—To be snatched from the very brink of the grave is a somewhat thrilling experience and one which Mrs. M. O. Garrett of this place has just passed through.

Mrs. Garrett suffered with a Cerebro-Spinal affection, and had been treated by the best physicians, but without the slightest improvement.

For the last twelve months two doctors were in constant attendance, but she only grew worse and worse, till she could not walk, and did not have any power to move at all.

She was so low that for the greater part of the time she was perfectly unconscious of what was going on about her, and her heart-broken husband and friends were hourly expecting her death.

The doctors had given up all hope and no one thought she could possibly live.

In this extremity Mr. Garrett sent for a box of Dodd's Kidney Pills. It was a last hope, but happily it did not fail.

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"I feel happy to-day," said the Club Woman. "I haven't a thing in the world to do. Not a club to attend. I'm going in for some relaxation. I'm going to clean house and have a good time!"—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Laundering the Baby's Clothes.

Many mothers are ignorant of the serious injury that may result from washing the clothing of an infant with strong washing powders and impure soap. For this reason it should be laundered at home under the mother's directions and only Ivory Soap used. To throw the little garments into the ordinary wash shows great carelessness.

ELEANOR H. PARKER.

Naggsby—"Do you believe absence makes the heart grow fonder?" Waggsby—"Yes, but I've found that with most girls presents are a good deal more effective."—Baltimore American.

LOVES THE PRAIRIES.

Miss Anna Gray is Delighted with Her Western Canada Home.

Anna C. Gray is a young lady, formerly of Michigan. She is now a resident of Western Canada, and the following published in the Brown City (Mich.) Banner are extracts from a friendship letter written about March 15 to one of her lady friends in that vicinity. In this letter is given some idea of the climate, social, educational and religious conditions of Alberta, the beautiful land of sunshine and happy homes. Over one hundred thousand Americans have made Western Canada their home within the past five years, and in this year upwards of 50,000 will take up homes there.

Miss Gray took her leave for Didsbury, Alberta, the home of her sister and other relatives and friends on Jan. 10 last, and after a two months' sojourn in her western prairie home, she writes of it as follows: "I know I shall grow to love the prairies. We have a beautiful view of the mountains, and it seems wonderful to me to see home after home for miles, and it is becoming thickly settled all around us. With the exception of the last few days, which have been cold and stormy, we have had beautiful spring weather ever since I came. The days are beautiful. I call this the 'land of the sun,' as it seems to be always shining, the nights are cold and frosty. On arriving here, I was so greatly surprised in every way. Didsbury is quite a business little town. All the people I meet are so pleasant and hospitable. They have four churches in Didsbury—the Baptist, Presbyterian, Evangelical and Mennonite. The Evangelicals have just completed a handsome church, very large and finely furnished, costing \$2,500. They have a nice literary society here, meets every two weeks. They have fine musical talent here."

"Your friend,
"ANNA C. GRAY."

Ready for Any Emergency.

He—If I should kiss you, what would you do?

She—I never meet an emergency until it arrives.

"But if it should arise?"

"I'd meet it face to face."—Yale Record.

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"Do man eat has sense enough to take good advice," said Uncle Eben, "is usually smart enough to think it up for himself."—Washington Star.

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Better be a good man than a man of goods.—Ram's Horn.

Book On South Dakota.

A new book on South Dakota has just been published by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway. It describes the agricultural and stock conditions in the state, gives the latest stock reports, tells about the present opportunities there, and is well illustrated. Sent on receipt of two cents for postage. F. A. Miller, General Passenger Agent, Chicago.

Even when we are willing to admit that other people know their own business best, we can't help but feel that they are at least very negligent about it.—Brooklyn Life.

Do You Know

that Texas is a State of unexaggerated possibilities? No one can foretell its great future. If you want to know what it is and what is being done to make it better known and appreciated, write for copy of book entitled "Texas," and pamphlet "Timely Topics No. 3." Address "Katy," 262 Wainwright, St. Louis, Mo.

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